

THE SHUTTLE

Wednesday, September 8, 2010

STATEMENT TO SUBSTANTIATE PAYMENT OF FAMILY SEPARATION ALLOWANCE (FSA)			
AUTHORITY: Title 37, U.S. Code, Section 427. PRINCIPAL PURPOSE: To evaluate member's application for FSA. ROUTINE USES: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Serves as substantiating document for FSA payments and input into the member's pay account. b. Provides an audit trail for validating propriety of payments and to assist in collecting erroneous payments. c. Provides a record in service member's pay account and for safekeeping. 			
DISCLOSURE: Disclosure of your social security number and other personal information is voluntary. However, if requested it is not provided, FSA will not be considered.			
1. NAME OF MEMBER (Last, First, Middle Initial)	2. GRADE	3. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER	4. BRANCH AND ORGANIZATION
PART I - MEMBER COMPLETES THIS SECTION TO SUBSTANTIATE ENTITLEMENT TO FSA			
5. TYPE II (X as applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> FSA-T (Temporary) <input type="checkbox"/> FSA-R (Restricted) <input type="checkbox"/> FSA-S (Ship)		6. COMPLETE CURRENT ADDRESS(ES) OF DEPENDENT(S)	
7. DATE (DDMMYY) DEPARTED RESIDENCE TO UNIT HOME STATION (Mobilized Members)		8. I CERTIFY TO THE FOLLOWING FACTS (X applicable box(es)) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> a. I am not divorced or legally separated from my spouse. <input type="checkbox"/> b. My dependent child (children) was (were) not in the legal custody of another person when I received my military orders. <input type="checkbox"/> c. My dependent (other than my spouse; see line f. below) is not a member of the military service on active duty. <input type="checkbox"/> d. My sole dependent is not in an institution for a known period of over 1 year or a period expected to exceed 1 year. <input type="checkbox"/> e. I am claiming FSA for my parent(s) for whom I have a dependent's dependency status and am residing with, and I must 	

Big 'E' Sailors cash in on extra pay

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USS ENTERPRISE, At sea – As the Sailors aboard the nuclear-powered aircraft carrier USS Enterprise (CVN 65) near the completion of their current work-up phase Sept. 8, many are reaping the financial benefits from the longest underway period for the ship in almost three years.

More than 1,400 Enterprise Sailors will see an increase in pay during the month of October due to the Family Separation Allowance (FSA) benefit.

Department of Defense Financial Management Regulation, Volume 7A, Chapter 27 states that Sailors with dependents shall be granted FSA in the amount of \$250 per month when stationed aboard a ship that is deployed from homeport for more than 30 consecutive days. Under this regulation, crewmembers with primary dependents indicated on the record of emergency data page of their service records will receive FSA. Additionally, Sailors who claim secondary dependents must provide court

documentation stating that they have custody of or are providing support of the dependent, and it must be documented on the member's record of emergency data.

For single-parent Sailors to receive FSA the Sailor is required to have physical custody of their child at least 14 days a month during in-port periods.

In order to receive this allowance, the Sailor must be on board the ship while deployed for the full 30-day period. After the initial 30 days, the Sailor will receive prorated FSA at the rate of \$8.33 per day for the continued time deployed.

"The ultimate purpose of FSA is to provide compensation for added expenses incurred during enforced periods of family separation," said Master Chief Personnel Specialist (SW/AW) Gary R. Cassell, the leading chief petty officer of Executive department's Personnel division. "There are three types of FSA. FSA-S (ship), for duty aboard a ship; FSA-T (temporary), for Temporary Additional Duty (TAD) or Temporary Duty (TDY) away from

your duty station; and FSA-R (restricted), used for members who are not entitled to move their dependents to their duty station (typically members who get married after reporting aboard and their family members live elsewhere)."

Sailors aboard Enterprise this underway, who qualified, will be receiving FSA-S.

Each type of FSA pays \$250 a month to the service member during the time frame they are eligible for the allowance. Since this is an allowance, it is not taxable like base and special pay are.

Even though a Sailor can never be fully compensated for missing out on valuable time with their family while deployed, the extra money is there to help those left at home. For eligible Sailors, the extra cash comes in handy, and some use it to reduce or eliminate debt.

"The extra income I'm getting for the time we've spent underway is going to be put to good use," said Personnel Specialist Seaman Frank A. Ransom. "My wife and I

SAILORS OF THE DAY



Aviation Machinist's Mate 3rd Class (AW) Aubrie N. Blair

Q: Why did you join the Navy?

A: "I joined because I wanted to do something that would make a difference in the world."

Q: What is the most rewarding aspect of your job?

A: "I get to work with so many diverse people from many different areas of the world."

Q: What do you do in your spare time?

A: "I like to hunt, fish, camp, work on my truck and show my dogs."

Gunner's Mate 3rd Class Jennifer M. Whitman

Q: Why did you join the Navy?

A: "I joined for financial aid and to travel."

Q: What is the most rewarding aspect of your job?

A: "Being a mount captain."

Q: What do you do in your spare time?

A: "I enjoy going to the mall and watching new movies."



Photo by Mass Communication Specialist 3rd Class Jeffry A. Willadsen

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have been trying to pay off a few of our credit cards for months now, and I plan on paying off at least one of them when I receive the FSA."

Additionally, others are being proactive with the money by putting it away for the future.

"Being out here away from my family is definitely one of the hardest things I've ever had to deal with, but knowing

that I will get that extra money makes it just a little bit easier and helps ease some of the stress on my wife," said Aviation Ordnanceman 3rd Class Elliot R. Rodriguez-Diaz. "We are going to put that \$250 aside each month that I'm on deployment and start a savings account for our daughter."

Executive department is processing inputs from each department to ensure that each eligible Sailor receives the

FSA benefit.

In order to ensure you receive your FSA, contact your local personnel office. 🌐

Enterprise is conducting work-ups and flight deck operations in preparation for its upcoming deployment. For more information about USS Enterprise, Carrier Strike Group 12 or Carrier Air Wing One visit www.Enterprise.navy.mil, www.ccsgr12.surfor.navy.mil, and www.cvw1.navy.mil. You can also visit www.news.navy.mil/local/cvn65.



An HH-60H Sea Hawk assigned to the "Dragonslayers" of Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron (HS) 11 flies overhead of the Arleigh Burke-class guided missile destroyer USS Bulkeley (DDG 84) as the ship participates in a strait transit exercise with the aircraft carrier USS Enterprise (CVN 65).

Photo by Mass Communication Specialist Seaman Jared M. King



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A Sailor assigned to the aircraft carrier USS Enterprise's (CVN 65) Security division stands lookout watch during a strait transit exercise with the Arleigh Burke-class guided missile destroyers USS Mason (DDG 87), USS Bulkeley (DDG 84) and Ticonderoga-class guided missile cruiser USS Leyte Gulf (CG 55).



Photo by Mass Communication Specialist 3rd Class Tiger Martinez

A ship-launched, Intercept-aerial guided missile (RIM-7) launches from a NATO Sea Sparrow (MK-57) during an exercise aboard the aircraft carrier USS Enterprise (CVN 65).

On Deck

with Media



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September 8

Open Karaoke on the aft mess decks at 8:30 p.m.

Underway Channels

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| 5 Training/Informational Scroll | 29 History |
| 6 SITE TV-Drama/Suspense/Thriller | 30 TLC |
| 7 SITE TV-Comedy/Romance | 31 A&E |
| 8 SITE TV-Action/Adventure | 32 E! |
| 12 ILARTS (PLAT) | 33 MTV |
| 14 ECDIS | 34 FX |
| 16 GBS | 35 NFL Network |
| 19 AFN News | 36 ESPN |
| 20 AFN Sports | 37 VS (NFL/College) |
| 21 AFN Atlantic | 38 Spike (NFL/College) |
| 22 Fox News | 39 TNT (NFL/College) |
| 23 Headline News | 40 Nat Geo (NFL/College) |
| 24 ABC East | 41 USA (NFL/College) |
| 25 NBC East | 42 AMC (NFL/College) |
| 26 CBS East | 43 IFC (MLB/NFL/College) |
| 27 FOX East | 44 SYFY (MLB/NFL/College) |
| 28 Military | 45 VHI (MLB/NFL/College) |

PROFESSIONAL MILITARY KNOWLEDGE (PMK) TRAINING
 We are here to help you prepare for your September advancement exam. PMK training sessions are conducted Monday - Friday at 1 p.m. on the forward mess decks until Sept. 12. When events or drills conflict with the training session, the training will be rescheduled for 7 p.m. that same day. For questions or concerns, please contact ET1 Schwartz or PS1 C. Brown via e-mail or 1-6560/1-7095.

Nightly ESWS training will be held in the foc'sle, Monday - Friday at 6 p.m. Boards will be held on Fridays in lieu of training as necessary.



PMK QUESTION OF THE DAY

Q: What are the qualities that characterize the Navy/Marine Corps team as instruments to support national policy?

A: Self-sustaining, flexibility and mobility.



ESWS QUESTION OF THE DAY

Q: What does ECDIS stand for?

A: Electronic Chart Display and Information System.

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